

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF IOWA



IN THE MATTER OF
COURT CLOSURE DAYS AND
REDUCED PUBLIC HOURS

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SUPERVISORY ORDER

Earlier this year, this court issued a series of supervisory orders required to implement and facilitate certain expense-reduction measures compelled by the significant deappropriation of funds from the judicial branch for the current fiscal year. This week, however, Governor Culver signed legislation (Senate File 478) that includes a supplemental appropriation to the judicial branch for FY 2009. This supplemental appropriation is sufficient to enable the court to balance the FY 2009 judicial branch budget while ending some expense-reduction measures and improving public access to court services.

Therefore, pursuant to its constitutional authority to administer the courts of this state, this court:

- Modifies its previous order issued February 27, 2009 by cancelling the court closures and unpaid leave for court staff on June 5 and June 19. The court orders all court offices open for business on both days.
- Modifies its previous order issued February 27, 2009 to close clerk of district court offices to the public from 2:30 p.m. to close on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Beginning June 1, 2009, these offices will be open to the public during customary business hours.

Dated this 29th day of May, 2009.

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By Marsha Ternus
Marsha K. Ternus, Chief Justice